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# **REQUEST MADE, PROPOSED USE, LOCATION:**

Petitioner R. Gregg Sutter, who is also the property owner, represented by R.W. Gross & Associates, is seeking primary approval of a 2 lot subdivision on 3.992 acres, located east of I-65 on the west side of Meridian Line Road, just south of CR 850 N, in Tippecanoe 7 (SE) 24-4.

#### **AREA ZONING PATTERNS:**

The site is zoned Agricultural, as is all surrounding properties. The parent tract is a 14.04 acre tract that has never been subdivided or parcelized. A ten acre farm field will be leftover to the west after the creation of this subdivision; two division rights will also remain.

## **AREA LAND USE PATTERNS:**

Proposed Lot two has a farmhouse and an outbuilding. Lot one has two accessory structures, but currently no house. Surrounding land is either large-lot residences or farmed.

# TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION:

Meridian Line Road is classified as a rural local road by the County *Thoroughfare Plan*. A 30' half-width right-of-way has been shown on the sketch plan. County Highway is not requiring a "no vehicular access" statement.

Transportation plans show a proposed highway connecting the new US 231 with I-65 intersecting in the vicinity of this subdivision request. It will be, however, more than ten years before this proposed project would begin.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL AND UTILITY CONSIDERATIONS:**

A letter from the County Health Department states that, "Lot 1 can be considered for a shallow subsurface absorption trench system or elevated sand mound. Both systems would require a perimeter drain to lower seasonal high water table and an easement has been provided for the outlet. Lot 2 has an existing dwelling located on it served by an existing onsite sewage disposal system and water well."

The County Surveyor has already approved drainage onsite.

## **CONFORMANCE WITH UZO REQUIREMENTS:**

All setbacks shown are correct: lot width and area are sufficient.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Conditional primary approval, contingent on the following:

# A. Conditions

**FINAL PLAT** – The following items shall be part of the Secondary Application and Final Plat approval:

- 1. If there is a mortgage on this property, a recorded partial release or written acknowledgment from the mortgage company must be obtained in order to dedicate the necessary right-of-way.
- 2. All existing easements, and the proposed drainage easement, covenants or restrictions shall be shown and referenced with the corresponding recording information (Document Number and date recorded).
- 3. All required building setbacks shall be platted.
- 4. The street addresses and County Auditor's Key Number shall be shown.